## News From Southern Shores Town Hall Monday, November 7, 2005

## **Election Day Parking**

Tomorrow, Tuesday, November 8, 2005 is Election Day. The polls are open 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Pitts Center behind Town Hall. At times the parking will be tight at Town Hall, however we are providing extra parking across the street. Additionally, police will be on hand directing traffic. One request: Please do not park on the multi-use path. Results of the election will be in Wednesday's Broadcast News.

## **Town Undergoes Energy Audit**

The Southern Shores Town Government participated in a voluntary audit this past week. Conducted by the Pollution Prevention and Environmental Assistance Division of the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), engineers John Seymour and Ron Pridgeon reviewed several years of electrical, water and other utility billings with Town Manager Carl Classen. Additionally, the engineers toured all of the Town buildings surveying the types of buildings and building materials, forms of energy consumed, forms of windows and doors, installation of HVAC equipment, types of lighting, and other energy-related features.

The engineers assisted the Town Manager in developing ideas for saving energy in the architecturally unique Town Hall, including possible relocation of vents, thermostat styles, door types and task lighting. Similar suggestions were made for other buildings. The DENR engineers will be developing a list of suggestions for the Town Manager to review.

The Town Manager requested the energy audit as part of the Town government's effort to reduce energy costs in light of the rapid fuel cost increases and their impact on the Town budget. Suggestions made by the engineers will be reviewed both for immediate savings that can be afforded in the current budget (e.g., changing light bulb types) and those long-term savings (e.g., HVAC modifications) requiring future budget action.

The DENR energy audit was provided to the Town at no cost and is available to businesses and individuals by contact the <u>Pollution Prevention and Environmental Assistance Division</u> by <u>email</u> or phone (800-763-0136). The Division also helps businesses with tips on reusing waste products and other energy/waste reduction efforts.

## **Dates To Remember:**

- Long Range Planning Committee, Thursday, November 10, 2005, 3:30 p.m., Pitts Center
- Canal Dredging Project Meeting, November 10, 2005, 7 p.m., Pitts Center
- Town Office Closed, Friday, November 11, 2005 for Veterans' Day
- SSCA Membership Meeting, Monday, November 14, 2005, 7 p.m., Pitts Center
- Town Council Meeting, Tuesday, November 15, 2005, 9 a.m., Pitts Center

If you need a police officer, anytime day or night, this weekend or any day of the year, please call Central Communications at 252-473-3444. Write that number down or pick up a free sticker at Town Hall. Keep this number by your phone and put it on your cell phone.

For more information, contact the Southern Shores Town Hall, 252-261-2394, 252-255-0876 (fax), info@southernshores-nc.gov, www.southernshores-nc.gov.

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